



UNION WESLEY AFRICAN METHODIST
EPISCOPAL ZION CHURCH

SUNDAY SERVICE

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Rev. Dr. Brian S. Relford, Sr., Pastor

THE ORDER OF SERVICE | SEPTEMBER 13, 2026| 10:00 AM

The Call to Worship

InvocationRev. Demetros Benton

The Morning Hymn.....“Blessed Assurance”

Affirmation of Faith: Apostles’ Creed.....

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost. Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate; Was crucified, dead, and buried: The third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the Holy catholic church; the Communion of Saints; the Forgiveness of sins; the Resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Announcements.....

The Scripture Reading.....Psalm 134 (ESV)

The Morning Prayer.....Rev. Dr. Clarence Cross, Jr.

The Musical Selection.....

***OUR GIFTS TO GOD** *The giving of Tithes, Offerings and the Ministry of Kindness Offering*
THE OFFERTORY *“All Things Come of Thee”*

The Musical Selection.....

The Message.....Rev. Dr. Brian S. Relford, Sr.

The Invitation to Christian Discipleship.....

The Benediction.....

Let's keep our sick and shut-in members in our thoughts and prayers. Take a moment to reach out with a card, a call, or a heartfelt prayer to let them know they are not forgotten. Your kindness and support can make a world of difference to those who need it most.

“Pray at all times in the Spirit with every prayer and request, and stay alert with all perseverance and intercession for all the saints.” Ephesians 6:18 (CSB)

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SUNDAY SCHOOL | 9:00 AM

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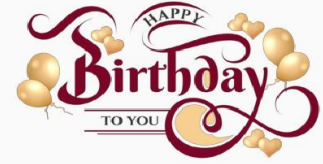
Sunday Worship
www.unionwesleyamez.org
Facebook | **YouTube**

Tuesday Prayer | 7:00 p.m.
1-978-990-5000 Code: 791926

Wednesday Bible Study | 12pm and 6:30 PM
www.unionwesleyamez.org
Facebook | **YouTube**

Thursday Morning Manna (starting Sept.)
Dial-in: 1-267-807-9495 | Code: 355-119-736

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES



SEPTEMBER 1 Lateese Pixley
SEPTEMBER 3 J'von Winstead
SEPTEMBER 4 Torrey Burns
SEPTEMBER 6 Evangeline Johnson
SEPTEMBER 7 James Crawford, London Johnson
SEPTEMBER 9 Nia Berry, Vivienne Foster, Louise Prince
SEPTEMBER 9 Crystal Arnold, Kennedy Banks
SEPTEMBER 10 Jean Howie
SEPTEMBER 12 Elizabeth Byrd, Debbie E. Brown
SEPTEMBER 13 Carmen Faulkner, Cristina Gepty Wilson
SEPTEMBER 15 Kathleen Barber
SEPTEMBER 16 Vernon Baker, Sr., Annie Carter, Kimberly Ellington, Ezinwa Onuegbu
SEPTEMBER 17 Beverly Valentine
SEPTEMBER 18 Sheldon Peart
SEPTEMBER 21 Barbara Chapman
SEPTEMBER 22 Brittney Peters, Deidre Peters, Judy Hill
SEPTEMBER 24 Regina Wilson
SEPTEMBER 25 Ryan Holliday
SEPTEMBER 26 Carzena Butler, Shirley Ramsey, Rachel Relford
SEPTEMBER 27 DeVyn Harris, Kristen Whitaker

HAPPY Anniversary

SEPTEMBER 1 Presiding Elder Alvin and Brenda Durant
SEPTEMBER 12 James and Vivieca Simpson
SEPTEMBER 18 Calvin and Debra Beatty
SEPTEMBER 24 Bruce and Yvonne Speight, Sr.
SEPTEMBER 25 Nicole and Sowande Tichawonna
SEPTEMBER 27 Reggie and Karen Bookard

UPCOMING EVENTS



SEPT 13 | Senior Ministry BAKE SALE TODAY

SEPT 19 | Philadelphia-Baltimore Confer. 1st Checkup Meeting

SEPT 20 | Christian Education Sunday

SEPT 26 | Life Members Stoling Ceremony | 11 AM | Union Wesley

SEPT 27 | Global Missions Sunday | We are asking all missionaries to wear Afrocentric Attire.

OCT 3 | Family Field Day

OCT 4 | World Wide Communion

OCT 11 | 182nd Founder's Day

OCT 15-17 | Leadership Training Institute

OCT 18 | Connectional Lay Sunday

OCT 24 | Senior Ministry Brunch & Fashion Show

OCT 25 | Stewardess Board Ministry Annual Day

OCT 30 | CED Harvest Feast

NOV 5 | 2nd Quarterly Conference | 7pm

NOV 11 | Veteran's Day

NOV 22 | Greeters Ministry Ice Cream Social

NOV 22 | WD Joint Thanksgiving Service | 3 pm

NOV 26 | Happy Thanksgiving

DEC 5 | 2nd Cyber Checkup Meeting

DEC 6 | Class Leaders Sunday

DEC 20 | Christmas Worship Service

DEC 25 | Merry Christmas

DEC 31 | Watch Night Service



WEEKLY MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Intercessory Prayer

Tuesdays at **7:00 PM** via conference call.

Wednesday Bible Study

12:00 PM – In Person | 6:30 PM – Virtual Only

Thursday Morning Manna

Thursdays at **6:00 AM** via conference call.

Sunday School

Sundays at **9:00 AM** Join us as we learn, grow, and strengthen our walk together in Christ.

Children's Church

Ages **2–12** 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Sundays at **10:00 AM**

OCTOBER | CLERGY APPRECIATION MONTH

The Stewardess Board Ministry invites the Union Wesley Church Family to join us in celebrating and honoring our ministerial staff on Sunday, **October 25th**, in recognition of Clergy Appreciation Month.

As a gesture of love and gratitude for their faithful service, we encourage everyone who is able to share a small monetary gift or simply a card beginning Sunday, September 13th thru October 18th. Your kindness will help us express how much we appreciate their leadership, dedication, and spiritual care over the years.

You may give online (please indicate *Clergy Appreciation*) or see **Brenda Ruffin** or **Glenna Joyner** for in-person contributions.

REGISTER TODAY!

LTJ 2026 Registration link. The cost of registration and hotel will appear when registering.
<https://b3050805485318ef.chmeetings.com/events/D88AF0AFC48101F7>

"I thank my God upon every remembrance of you." Philippians 1:3

Dear Church Family,

heartfelt
thanks!

We just wanted to reach out and say a huge, heartfelt thank you for the incredible love and sympathy you showered over our family following the passing of Joseph Battle, Sr. Your prayers, kind words, and constant support have truly helped carry us through these tough days.

We are so grateful for how everyone came together to take care of us:

- **Our Clergy:** Thank you for your prayers, visits, and spiritual grounding when we needed it most.
- **Administrative Staff:** Thank you for handling all the details and keeping things running smoothly.
- **Church Officers:** Thank you for your leadership, guidance, and checking in on our family.
- **Music Ministry:** Thank you for the beautiful songs that brought so much comfort to our hearts.
- **Culinary Staff:** Thank you for the wonderful meal and for taking such good care of everyone during our time of fellowship.
- **Ushers:** Thank you for your warm smiles and making sure everyone feel welcome and cared for.
- **Nurses' Ministry:** Thank you for your quiet, compassionate presence, and watchful care.
- **Our Entire Church Family:** Thank you to everyone who sent cards, called, or just kept us in your thoughts.

We are so very blessed to belong to a loving community. May God bless each and every one of you for your kindness.

With Love and Gratitude,
The Vinson/Battle Family